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1. As late as October 1948, Czechoslovak airlines had been able to sign no contract to cover gasoline supplies for 1949. +
2. During September 1948 the fuel shortage was so acute that aircraft were allotted only the minimum necessary for any given flight. Orders were given for pilots to refuel abroad whenever possible.
3. At present, however, there seems to be no great difficulty in obtaining limited quantities of imported 100-octane fuel.
4. In general, the quality of fuel is not good, and attempts have been made to force the use of 73 and 87 octane synthetic fuel. It is admitted that the use of this is liable to cause overheating of the engines and, in addition, detonation at take-offs.
5. It is possible that special tanks may be fitted to permit the use of this synthetic fuel for level flying only, and so to economize on 100-octane fuel.

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